

Grade 11 Writing Scoring Rubric

Rubric Elements	Full Evidence	Partial Evidence	Limited Evidence	Unrelated Evidence
Organization – The essay addresses a specified claim supported with organized complex ideas.	The essay includes at a minimum: an introduction that states the claim supported by two rational reasons a body that includes two reasons related to the claim a conclusion that states the claim supported by two rational reasons	The essay includes at a minimum: □ an introduction that states the claim □ a body that includes one reason related to the claim □ a conclusion that states the claim with a rational reason or relevant evidence	The essay includes at a minimum some evidence related to the specified claim/topic (i.e., introduction, claim/topic, or conclusion).	There is no evidence of organization or the evidence is off topic.
Idea Development – The defended claim includes relevant evidence, and uses words, phrases, and clauses to clarify the relationship among claim, reasons and evidence.	The essay includes at a minimum: one piece of relevant evidence follows each of the two provided reasons words or phrases that connects each of the two reasons with relevant evidence	The essay includes at a minimum: a body with one reason and one piece of relevant evidence word or phrase that connects one reason with a piece of relevant evidence	The essay includes at a minimum a word related to the reason or a connecting word/phrase.	There is no evidence of idea development or the evidence is off topic.
Conventions – Students use standard English conventions (subject/verb agreement).	The essay includes more than one sentence and at a minimum: capitalization at the beginning of the majority of thought units end punctuation for the majority of thought units one complete sentence with subject/verb agreement	The essay includes at a minimum: capitalization to begin one thought unit end punctuation for one thought unit one complete sentence with subject/verb agreement	The essay includes at a minimum one use of Standard English conventions.	There is no evidence of Standard English conventions.



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Organization – The essay addresses a specified claim supported with organized complex ideas.	The essay includes at a minimum: an introduction that states the claim and a rational reason a conclusion that states the claim and the rational reason	The essay includes at a minimum: □ an introduction that states the claim or a reason □ a conclusion that states the claim or the reason	The essay includes at a minimum some evidence related to the specified claim/topic (i.e., introduction, claim/topic, or conclusion).	There is no evidence of organization or the evidence is off topic.
Idea Development – The defended claim includes relevant evidence, and uses words, phrases, and clauses to clarify the relationship among claim, reasons and evidence	The essay includes at a minimum: the body includes two relevant facts or examples words or phrases to connect the reason with one relevant facts or example	The essay includes at a minimum: the body includes only one relevant fact or example word or phrases to connect the reason with one fact or example	The essay includes at a minimum a word related to the reason.	There is no evidence of idea development or the evidence is off topic.
Conventions – Students use standard English conventions (subject/verb agreement).	The essay includes more than one sentence and at a minimum: end punctuation for more than one thought unit one complete sentence that expresses an idea with subject/verb agreement	The essay includes at a minimum: end punctuation for one thought unit one complete sentence with or without subject/verb agreement	The essay includes at a minimum one use of Standard English conventions.	There is no evidence of Standard English conventions.